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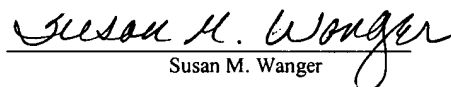
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Hayden, et al
Serial No.: 10/019,341
Filing Date: May 3, 2002
For: LPL Variant Therapeutics

Confirmation No. 8795
Group Art Unit: 1636
Examiner: Jennifer Ann Dunston

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Sir:

AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on November 19, 2004, with respect to the above-referenced application. The period of time for responding to the Office Action was set to expire on February 19, 2005. The applicants petition herewith for a 3 month extension of time, and have instructed payment of the extension fees from Deposit Account No. 07-1897, accordingly.

The applicants have considered each of the rejections raised and offer the following amendments and remarks in response. Reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.